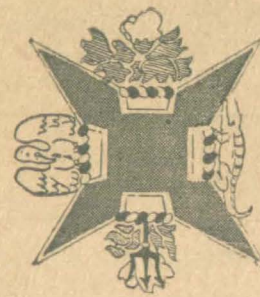




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Civilian Affairs Dept. Is Formed By IV Corps

Primary Function Is Control Of Civilian Population In War Time

Another step toward complete training comes into the Dixie Division's own back yard with the appointment of a "Civil Affairs" department. Though confined to simulated action, the new bureau will operate, in theory, exactly as it would in wartime. Clearing the roads of refugees, rationing of foods, seeing that supplies could be made available in the nearby countryside, dispersal of civilian traffic—these duties and many more will fall in the lap of Captain John E. Mandeville, appointed to the office this week.

It is common understanding that during actual warfare, the status of the battle itself is of prime importance, that everything must work toward the successful waging of the campaign at hand. The job of the Civil Affairs department is a vast one, dealing with the civil end of the war; the control of non-military operations in the immediate vicinity of the war.

Capt. Mandeville, appointed by Lt. Col. Walden, division G-1, has had fifteen years experience in Court work. Functions of his office will begin with the start of the GHQ directed maneuvers, Nov. 15.

Captain Mandeville and the IV Corps Civil Affairs staff will carry out a simulated plan of complete control of the area designated by General McNair as the Red Forces, territory during the campaign. It will be their job to see that civilian traffic clears the roads for military operations. Any public or private property needed by the Red Republic's Army may be commandeered by the Civil Affairs staff. All commanders, of course, will have power to seize any necessary property or to disperse civilian traffic at any time he deems it necessary for the success of his particular mission—if the matter has not been handled by the Civil Affairs officer. These operations will be in theory only, of course.

Refugees must be cleared from roads for military traffic. Plans must be made for the evacuation and care of civilians.

The order from General Griswold's headquarters states that the program of the civil affairs officer be carried on much the same as a command post exercise, during the maneuver. "It is obviously impossible and undesirable to take over civil administration in the United States during peace time, or to actually restrict civilian traffic on public highways, commandeer private property, seize utilities, or do such other things of like nature that would be done in an actual theatre of operations. However, such matters should be provided for in theory, because they are a part of modern warfare."

The order further states that a state of war between the Red and Blue states will come into existence with the start of the GHQ directed maneuvers. At that time a certain amount of both red and blue territory will lie between the fronts of the opposing forces, and it will be assumed that civil authority therein has ceased to exist. It will also be assumed, during that period of maneuvers, that civil authority will be unable to function in rear of the Red front line for a distance of twenty miles. And, of necessity, martial law (military government) must prevail within this Red-held territory.

124th Patrol Makes Blitz Capture

Thirty minutes after the 124th Recon-patrol had gone into action in the Corps Battle this week, the Florida unit captured 51 members of the enemy (Blue) motorized scouts and five of their vehicles.

This feat was accomplished in spite of a rocky detour through a creek necessitated by a bridge which had been demolished.

CAMERA RECORDS 30 MINUTES OF 'BLACKOUT'



Photo by Corp. Neville Harrington

The Dixie staff photographer placed his camera on a stump last Wednesday night at 9:15, opened the shutter for 30 minutes, and recorded this unusual picture. The bright moonlight was reflected by ground and tents, and trees were caught in silhouette against the sky. But, while the camera lens were open the following happened: A soldier with a flashlight burning walked across the scene, stopped, to the right, then crossed again to the left. The path of the beam on the ground makes a huge V, while the flashlight bulb made the corresponding V above. Another soldier used a tiny flashlight to make up his bed inside the pup tent at extreme right. Gyration of the light, as the soldier moved around, makes a tell-tale pattern of light. At left, a soldier struck a match to light a cigaret, then tossed the burning match into a semi-spiral over his head. At center, a small electric light glows brightly through an operations tent. Occasional passersby made the horizontal streaks of light with small flashlights and glowing cigaret butts. This was a "blackout" night—but the V-beam couldn't stand for victory if caught by enemy observers.

Dixie And Yankee Divisions Vie For "Outstanding Soldier" Honor

Dixie and 43rd (Yankee) Division soldiers are in competition this month to see which unit has the outstanding enlisted man in the Carolina maneuvers.

A plan was recently presented to Maj. John C. Persons, commanding officer of the Dixie Division, by Mr. Gold V. Sanders, Editor-in-Chief of the Jacksonville Journal, whereby "officials of the City of Jacksonville, headed by Mayor John T. Alsop, would honor with public recognition the outstanding enlisted men of the two divisions at Camp Blanding following the return of troops in December."

The winner of the honor will be awarded a streamer appropriately worded, which will be flown from his unit's guidon staff for one month. The individual who is selected will be given recognition by means of

a public celebration. This affair will be attended by high civil and military officials.

"Instructions for the contest have been issued to regimental commanders, requesting them to take necessary steps which will enable Infantry, Field Artillery, Engineer, Medical and Quartermaster regiments to select one enlisted man as its outstanding soldier at the completion of the Carolina Maneuvers.

"The selection of this individual will be based upon general soldierly qualifications which include the excellence of performance, and close application to duty, leadership, resourcefulness in the field, personality and patriotic ideals, personal appearance and physical stamina."

The names of the soldiers selected will be officially reported to Division Headquarters following the return of troops to Camp Blanding from war games.

Engineers Make Reconnaissances For 3 Purposes

The 106th Engineers Reconnaissance units were kept busy during the Battle of the Corps, scouting the country side for bridges, roads and junctions with a three-fold purpose in mind.

First, this hardy group wanted to check their location on the map. Secondly, they inspected bridge spans to see how much powder it would take to blow them up to stop an enemy advance, and finally, how long it would take to make repairs to the bridges if the enemy should use the same tactics.

The Engineers were split up during the problem, with certain units assigned to the Infantry brigades. Company F was attached to the 31st Anti-tank Battalion. Company C worked with the 61st Brigade which is composed of the 155th and

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Infantry Lists Pup As Prisoner

One of the first prisoners taken by the 124th Infantry was a little brown puppy, called Pvt. Poppy. True to the rules of war governing prisoners, the dog's master would give no other information concerning his pet except his name, rank and serial number (dog tag). Poppy wore the blue ribbon which marked him as an enemy.

Dixie News Editor With IV Corps

Corporal Charles D. Pou, member of the 31st Division Press Section and assistant editor of The Dixie, has been assigned to duty with the press section of the IV Army Corps public relations bureau for duration of the Carolina maneuvers.

SHOE SHINES FREE—FIVE CENTS TAX

Competition was keen in the shoe shine business in Great Falls last weekend. One youngster, wracked his brain for a way to stimulate trade among the brogan-shod soldiers.

Suddenly he picked up his box, and in a high piercing voice shouted, "shoe shines free." When he had finished his first customer, he calmly announced: "It's free soldier—all except the tax which is five cents." The soldier smiled and paid his nickel.

114th Battalion Praised By General

The commanding officer, officers and enlisted personnel of the First Battalion, 114th FA, recently received a personal commendation signed by General Persons, on the condition of their motor vehicles after command inspection of motor vehicles, October 18th.

General Persons said, "I wish to commend the officers and enlisted personnel of your battalion who are responsible for this gratifying condition."

DIVISION HAS MANY L. S. U. GRADUATES

Many notable alumni of the L. S. U. now in the Army who were left out of the latest issue of Alumni News were Brigadier-Gen. Louis E. Guerre, acting commander of the 31st (Dixie) Division and former state superintendent of police in Louisiana; Col. Oswald W. McNeese, public relations officer for the Division; Col. Anees Mogabgab, Division Surgeon; Col. James H. Kuttner, commander of the 156th Infantry regiment; 1st Lt. B. W. Wax, holder of the world's bayonet championship and recent Southeastern conference diving champion who is connected with the 156th; and 1st Lt. J. L. Golsan, Southeastern conference boxing champion of a few years back who is now a member of the regimental staff of the 156th Infantry.

Mobile USO Picture Show At Division C. P.

A mobile U.S.O. motion picture unit played near the Division C.P. Monday evening and presented three films for the benefit of Dixie soldiers. Directly responsible for the show was Lt. Col. James N. Faulconer, division chaplain, who booked the "theatre on wheels" and arranged for the 117th Field Artillery Band to play for the event.

The huge movie truck was operated by Civilian J. O. Bogardus, who played the triple role of driver, projectionist and announcer. Bogardus travels throughout the maneuver area, presenting his show nightly for service men.

124th Captures 103rd Reg. C. P.

As a fitting finale of the week's maneuver, the 124th Infantry stormed into and captured the entire command post of the 103rd Infantry. The regimental commander, his staff and all vehicles were among the prizes taken. The coup was completed in the very closing minutes of the exercise.

SERVICE IN FIELD WELL ATTENDED

Many men of the 124th Infantry Regiment attended Church on the first Sunday of Carolina maneuvers.

Open air services were conducted by the regimental Chaplain, Major John T. Jenner, who delivered a short message, more in the vein of friendly advice than the customary sermon.

Colonel Fred A. Safay, the Regiment's commanding officer, addressed the men at the service also, expressing the wish that as many of them as possible attend religious services while in the field, either in civilian churches or the regimental exercises.

Dixie Soldiers Will Be Tested Against Motorized Troops In Corps Problem

MOBILITY OF TROOPS TESTED IN FIRST CORPS MANEUVER

167th Anti-Tank Re-Captures General's Car

After a mad chase through the countryside, near Blackstock, S. C. Wednesday Lt. John C. Cherioness and troops of the Anti-Tank Company, 167th Infantry, succeeding in recapturing Major General John C. Persons' radio car and making prisoners of a Blue force from which the General himself narrowly escaped.

Only the fast thinking and "heavy accelerator foot" of Gen. Persons' chauffeur prevented the acting IV Corps commander being taken prisoner as Blue troops, which had been cut off by the 2nd Armored division, hailed his command car. The radio car which follows the command car was captured but remained in Blue hands only a short time after the Alabama troops arrived on the scene.

The anti-tank unit and a motorized patrol of the first battalion of the 167th Inf. under the command of First Lt. Wm. D. Roby, were engaged in "mopping up" behind the Red armored forces when they surprised the Blue troops who had challenged Gen. Persons. They captured 88 men, nine trucks, and two 75mm guns during the action in the vicinity of Blackstock and White Oaks.

Calling Carolina

Has anyone seen Carolina. Carolina is a three months old Fico terrier puppy, lost some place in the Dixie Division Maneuver area. If you see the little fellow, return him to Pvt. Charles W. Evans, Co. A, 106th Engineers.

At the crack of dawn, Wednesday morning, 6:00 o'clock to be exact, the division began to roll from its bivouac areas, over a territory of more than seven miles radius. The 62nd Infantry Brigade, made up of the 167th (Alabama) and 124th (Florida) Infantry regiments, was completely motorized to form the spearhead of attack against the Blue Forces.

The Dixie Division fought alongside other contingents of the IV Army Corps, whose Commander was Dixie division's own Major General John C. Persons, meeting a force of equal strength in numbers. The Red Army was the aggressor.

At end of the first day's battle the Dixie Division had pushed fifteen miles from their starting point toward the main line of battle. (Continued on page 4)

Hornets Fail To Slow Up 124th Advance

Harrassing Blue troops, destroyed bridges, failed to slow the advance of the 124th Infantry as the Florida troops moved on Ridgeway this week. Even the attacks of winged allies in the form of hornets, which stung soldiers constructing a by-pass around a "blown" bridge, failed to deter the hardy troops.

"You gotta be on the lookout for anything in these battles," observed a marching soldier.

"First they blow up our bridges, then they send hornets to keep us from building a stream crossing. Wonder what they'll think of next," another added.

LAY DIXIE BATTLE PLANS



—Dixie Staff Photo

Brigadier General Louis F. Guerre, foreground, acting commander of the Dixie Division, confers with Colonel Frederick W. Manley, chief of staff, during the battle of the IV Army Corps against the Blue Provisional Corps.

Gen. Persons To Direct Corp Troops; Gen. Guerre Will Command The 31st Division

Dixie soldiers hit the warpath again today, lacking the leadership of their own commander, Major General John C. Persons, but headed by the same strategist who took them ahead in last week's maneuver, Brigadier General Louis F. Guerre. IV Army Corps headquarters has again demanded the services of the man who guided the 31st through two sensational months in Louisiana.

Changes in the lineup have been announced, throwing the 43rd division in as part of the force under the Dixie Division's General Persons. Also joining the army the 31st will be a part of is the 3rd Cavalry, 6th Cavalry, 107th Cavalry, 74th Field Artillery Brigade and IV Army Corps attached troops. Air support will also be furnished.

Against these infantry and cavalry lines, the opposing army will have the armored mobility of the First and Second armored divisions, supported by the mechanized "rolling Fourth," normally a part of our own IV Army Corps.

Troops were on the move this morning, pitting foot soldiers and the will-o-the-wisp tactics of cavalrymen against blitzkrieg. It will be a battle for territory, with the destination southward. All phases of warfare will be stressed in this battle; heavy air attacks and artillery blasting, with the added effect of road and land mines. Fast movement and perfect coordination are the requirements against the week's opponents.

The scene will be the same as that war of last week: between the Catawba and Broad rivers. The time is now. The actors are members of the IV Army Corps, Stage director of the big show is Major Gen. Oscar W. Griswold, sitting in a neutral seat as his own men hold their final scrimmage before tackling the imposing masses of the First Army on Nov. 16, climaxing the month with two weeks of strenuous workout.

Private Praised For Capture Of Enemy Map

Pvt. Earl A. Lindrose, 62nd Infantry Brigade headquarters, this week received the commendation of staff officers of that organization upon the feat he accomplished in gathering important enemy information.

Pvt. Lindrose, who was placed in the intelligence section only recently, rode with the 31st Division Reconnaissance Unit on his first assignment. The motorized patrol surprised a platoon of Blue Artillery (102nd FA) and took them prisoners including one captain and one lieutenant. The intelligence scout returned to his command post with a map he had taken from the Blue captain.

"That map contained information that intelligence officers dream about capturing," described Major Wilbur K. Miller, executive officer of the brigade. "The positions of the 172nd and 192nd FA were clearly indicated as were phase lines and other miscellaneous information," the major added.

CONDUCTS SERVICES

Chaplain Edmund E. Wells, 114th FA, conducted two battalion church services in the regiment Sunday, Nov. 2. Music for the services was furnished by the 114th FA band. Many men attended church services in Chester Sunday where Chaplain Wells sang a solo and led group singing.

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WATCH YOUR HEALTH

There are many things to say on the subject of health precautions; proper diet, regular hours, going to bed early and getting up the same way, the food to be eaten. But the army beat us to the punch on most of them.

Put a few items remain. This is peculiar weather. The night and early morning is chilly, the daytime sometimes hot. If a man wears his "longies" or his jacket during the warm hours of sunlight, he is hardly protected from the cold evening air. Such things lead to colds.

Keeping regular is important. We are in the open, exposed to many things. Our conditioning will tell whether we are to stay healthy. Only the man himself can decide whether he will be physically fit that way. The army has planned to every extent in order that the soldier may be strong and capable of taking whatever comes. But the final say-so is up to the individual.

GREAT FALLS A GREAT PLACE

A lady walked over to our table in the recreation room of the Great Falls First Baptist Church.

"Is this the office of our new Great Falls newspaper?" she asked. We replied this was the staff of the army newspaper, taking advantage of Great Falls hospitality and the warmth and light of the church, adding that our reporters and re-write men were not adept at blackout typing.

"Well, we're glad to have the soldiers here—and we like our new newspaper, too," the lady replied. "Can't I subscribe, at least for as long as the Dixie Division is here?"

Dear lady of Great Falls, your community has adopted the soldiers of the Dixie Division—made us feel at home among friends when we expected to be greeted by strangers. So, The Dixie is flattered to be called your newspaper. Through cooperation of the grocery stores, drug store and cafe, The Dixie was placed in every Great Falls home last week. Again this week, and as long as we remain in this vicinity, we'll publish as much news about Great Falls as we can, and if you don't receive a copy each week in your grocery basket, ask for it at the drug store, cafe or church.

TO OUR NEW NON-COMS

With the twenty-eight year ruling, many of the Dixie division's old and experienced soldiers returned to civilian life. They left gaping holes in the ranks, but other men have moved into their positions. These soldiers who wear stripes for the first time or have gone higher, are faced with a big responsibility.

They are leaders of men. It is not a child's game we play, this business of learning warfare from the bottom up. The example set by the corporal or sergeant is reflected in the boys he commands.

It is necessary that this be remembered. The job of training a squad, a platoon or a company is a heavy load. The chosen ones were picked for the ability they have shown. They are expected to make those under them want to work. To have that power of leadership necessary to have men follow blindly.

And the man who serves under these new men must remember that they have such a hard job. Willingness, faith and desire to someday have stripes will mean a lot. Leader and subordinate must remember that the job is easier when all are trying to help the other fellow.

GOING UP!

Promoted to First Sgt.
114th F.A.: Pvt. 1st. Albert E. Mitchell, Btry. A.

167th Inf.: Sgt. Ernest Bell, Co. H.

Promoted to Tech. Sgt.
114th F.A.: Staff Sgt. Charles C. Gaston, Hq. Btry., 1st Bn.; Staff Sgt. Eli Gibson, Med. Det.

Promoted to Staff Sgt.
Hq. Co., 62nd Inf. Brig.: Pvt. Earl Dunn, Pvt. Jack Graves.

114th F.A.: Pvt. 1st. Lynn E. Williams, Hq. Btry., 1st Bn.; Corp. Wilbur R. Key, Hq. Btry., 2nd Bn.; Sgt. John Bagley, Med. Det.

Promoted to Sergeant
167th Inf.: Corp. Luther Holloway, Corp. Victor L. Miller, Co. H.

Hq. Co., 62nd Inf. Brig.: Pvt. Gerald Bice.

114th F.A.: Corporals Walter D. McPherson, Charles A. McCaskill, Winn D. Hedleston, Pvt. 1st. John H. Fisher, Btry. A; Corp. John B. Hatcock, Hq. Btry.; Corp. Charles H. Smith, Btry. B; Corporals Joe B. Bethea, Ernest N. Minor, Hq. Btry., 2nd Bn., Pvt. 1st. Hugh W. Coker, Pvt. Joseph L. Nichols, Btry. C; Pvt. 1st. Carl E. Brown, Btry. D; Corp. Carl A. Budinich, Pvt. 1st. Norman L. Gundersen, Btry. F; Corp. Edward Bellman, Med. Det.

Promoted to Corporal
Hq. Co., 62nd Inf. Brig.: Pvt. William Dillard.

114th F.A.: Privates First Class Carl E. Mason, Greer J. Pruitt, Fred O. Angel, Felix W. Decoy, Pvt. William S. Kellum, Btry. A; Privates Alvin E. Thompson, Rogers W. Robertson, Douglas I. Smith, Harold B. Miller, Hq. Btry.; Pvt. 1st. Leslie W. Barton, Btry. B; Pvt. 1st. Walter E. Heidehoff, Pvt. James E. Cox, Btry. H; Pvt. 1st. Ira C. Henson, Jr., Btry. 1st Bn.; Pvt. 1st. George L. Moore, Privates Charles R. Jarman, William G. Percy, John V. Wallace, Pvt. G. Pvt. 1st. James G. Harris, Band Section; Pvt. Harold S. Hansen, Hq. Btry., 2nd Bn.; Pvt. 1st. John L. Rishie, Btry. C; Pvt. William B. McDowell, Btry. D; Pvt. George M. Covens, Btry. F; Pvt. 1st. David A. Whitfield, Hq. Btry.

Promoted to Pvt. 1st.
114th F.A.: Privates Chaney J. Mason, Roy D. Doshan, Harold McNease, William C. Hinton, John D. Burns, William M. Martin, Two R. Stevens, Jr., Btry. A; Pvt. Willey Rush, Med. Det.

Pvt. James Ford, Anti-Tank Co., 167th Inf., had just finished replacing the covers on the thermite food containers of that organization after the supper mess line had passed. He reached for a plate in which to eat himself. Looking up he saw a soldier remove the lid to one of the food cans and peer inside.

"Hev bud, I haven't eaten yet," he shouted thinking someone was coming through the line for "seconds."

The soldier replaced the cover slowly, looked up and asked in a soft voice:

"Is all the regiment eating this well?" The soldier was Major General Oscar W. Griswold, commanding general of the IV Army Corps and Intra-Corps maneuver director.

Unit Claims Record For Most Marriages

Anti-tank company, 156th Inf., claims the record for having the largest number of men who have married since induction. A recent tally in the unit reveals that sixteen have taken the vows.

The following are members of the married men's group: Sgt. Robert Wandrock, Sgt. Alton Walker; Corporals Ray Racea, Hector Broussard; Ernest Broussard; and Justin Pearson; Privates Laaon Legross, Wilford Guidry, Cherry Foreman, Lucian Duhan, Edmond Arceneaux, Cras Ortigo, Leo Duhan, James Roullion and James Eperly.

REPUBLIC THEATRE
Great Falls, S. C.

Monday and Tuesday — "The Bride Came C.O.D." with James Casney and Bette Davis.

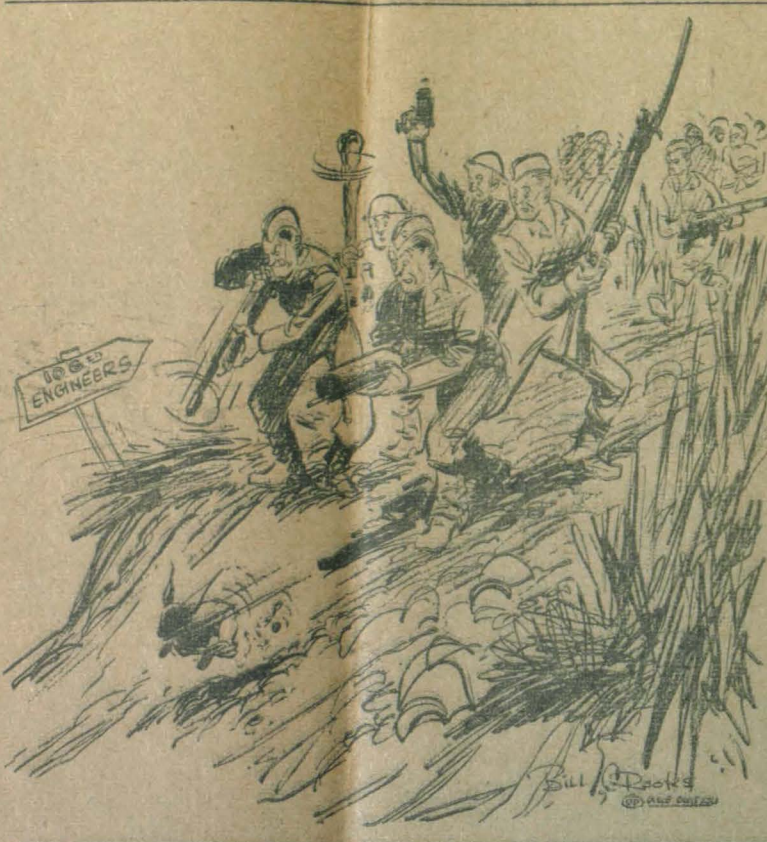
Wednesday — "Bad Men of Missouri" with Dennis Morgan and Jane Wyman.

Thursday and Friday — Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde with Spencer Tracy and Lana Turner.

Saturday, double feature — "Cy-done on Horseback" with Tim Holt "Flying Blind" with Richard Arlen and Jean Parker.

A HARE IN THEIR SOUP

Finding their rolling kitchen absent, one Dixie company took matters into their own hands.



Sergeant Barter Has Served In The Army For 23 Years

The oldest enlisted man in point of service in the 56th Field Artillery Brigade is Master Sergeant Cyrus G. Barter, Regimental Sergeant Major of the 116th Field Artillery regiment. His service dates back as far as 1917 when he joined the National Guard at Pensacola, Florida, Company "I," 1st Florida Infantry.

A few months later he was transferred to the 116th Field Artillery at Camp Wheeler, Georgia and served with this regiment during the World War in Battery A. After discharge on completion of World War service he worked a year and a half in shipyards and reentered the Regular Army at San Francisco, California in 1920. He served 7 years in the 82nd Field Artillery at Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas. For 8 months he was on special recruiting duty in Chicago and one year as Instructor, Recruit Educational Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Later he served at Fort Bragg, North Carolina in the 18th Field Artillery. He was transferred from this organization to DEMU (Detached Enlisted Mens List) No. 1 in 1929 as Sergeant Instructor for Headquarters 31st Division and the 116th Field Artillery at Tampa, Florida. He has remained with the 116th Field Artillery since that date, transferring to the regiment upon induction of the unit into active service on November 25, 1940. He graduated from the Sergeant-Instructor Refresher Course, Field Artillery School, 1938.

Sergeant Barter is 40 years old, is married and has 3 children. His home is in Tampa, Florida.

In his few leisure hours he enjoys a good joke and does not confine his acquaintances. In his 23 years of service his record shows he has lost no time through injuries, illness or disability. His service shows excellent and superior.

MAJOR LONG MADE 114th Bn COMMANDER

Major Sam H. Long, former executive officer of the 114th F.A. has been assigned as commander of that regiment's 1st battalion during the absence of Lieutenant Col. James A. Leke who is attending the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Major John D. Winter, Jr., who preceded Major Long as acting commander of the 1st Bn. has been transferred to the 117th Field Artillery where he is now commanding the first battalion of the Alabama Regiment.

ADDRESS WAS MOST COMPLETE

A friend of Pvt. John F. Miller of Co. B, 106th Inf., wanted to make sure that he received a letter so addressed it in the following manner: Pvt. John Franklin Miller, 31st Engineers, machine power truck, Camp Blanding, Fla. Besides this involved address, the envelope was marked, "Just ask any girl around camp how he gets his mail."

Don't Carry Simulated Idea Far Enough

After a long 20-mile morning ride through a cold Carolina countryside after a simulated load of simulated ammunition recently Sgt. H. E. Torbert, munitions sergeant of Service Co., 156th Inf., came up with this logical query: "Why couldn't the ride have been simulated too?"

Red Cross Ready To Give Aid To Dixie Men

The American Red Cross has a special field representative with the Dixie Division on maneuvers to render many useful services to the men while they are engaged in war games.

Carl Tarbox, assistant field director back at Camp Blanding, travelled up with Dixie convoys and has set up his office-quarters in the division's rear echelon headquarters, in a sidewall tent.

The Red Cross services on maneuvers include, Tarbox pointed out, furlough help, loans, comfort articles, assistance and aid on dependency and hardship releases, advice, and other assistance.

"When, because of emergency distress, illness or death in his immediate family, a soldier applies for a furlough, military authorities may wish to request a Red Cross verification of the need for the soldier's presence at home. Upon receipt of such a request, I wire the Red Cross local chapter covering the community where the soldier lives. Following their investigation, they wire me back and I forward the information to military authorities. Often the entire procedure is but the matter of an hour or two," Tarbox explained.

"And should the soldier require transportation funds to return home under such conditions as stated above, loans may be made upon approval of the commanding officer and after verification of necessity by the local Red Cross chapter," he added.

"We have a limited number of comfort articles here available for distribution on an individual emergency basis, such as razors, blades, tooth brushes, etc.," Tarbox stated.

The director pointed out that there is one Red Cross service which the men seldom use "because they do not know we render it or else they are afraid we don't know anything about it—and that's advice on discharges, releases from service, Army insurance and practically all service matters, as well as advice and help on family and welfare problems. Be assured, we are prepared to give competent advice on these matters promptly; just come in and see me," the director concluded. To reach him by mail, address: Carl Tarbox, Assistant Field Director, American Red Cross, APO 31, Ft. Jackson, S. C.

WOULD BUY SKATING RINK TO HOLD GIRL

A skating rink is a pretty big item, but Pvt. 1st. Brooks Harrison of Btry. D, 114th F.A. says he is going to send his girl one for a Christmas present.

His girl, who likes to skate, wrote Pvt. Harrison and asked would he mind her going skating with a friend of his. Harrison wrote back and said emphatically that he would mind, and added the little note about sending her a rink for Christmas. "Know where a fellow can get a good used skating rink cheap?" asks Pvt. Harrison.

116TH UNIT FETES VETERANS

Eight members of Battery A, 116th F. A. awaiting discharge from the army, were honored at a dinner last week prior to the unit's departure for Carolina maneuvers.

The men leaving are: Sgt. O. F. Lamberson; Corporal Albert M. Gee; Pvt. 1st. James D. Mott; Roy Para; James W. J. Swanson; Privates Clarence G. Harris; George H. Henriquez; Albert S. Knight.

Classified Ads

FOUND — One left-hand line-man's glove with name Robert A. Smith. Loser may obtain same from Sgt. Earl Dunn, at switchboard, 62nd Inf. Brigade.

LOST—Field Jacket, size 38, in Great Falls Presbyterian Church, Sunday, Nov. 2. Name on left shoulder strap, and with 7569 stamped in back. Has keys in pocket. Staff Sgt. E. E. Bright, H&S Co., 106 Engrs.

LOST—One pair yellow, gold frame glasses in dark red case. If found, please return to Fred M. Friedman, Band, 114th FA.

LOST—One World War Days watch, swiss movement, alarm attachment, open face, silver case. Presumably lost between auto park and tent. Reward of \$5.00. Colonel Hesterly, 116th F.A. Camp Blanding, Fla.

LOST—Brown wallet, in or near USO bathroom in Chester, Sunday evening about 4:30. Contained \$58 cash and valuable papers. Liberal reward. Return to St. Bobby H. Hale, Company F, 167th Inf.

PRIVATE TALK

PRIVATE JAMES ALSOP

We know a guy who really wanted to come on these maneuvers. He has a family in Charlotte. Plans had been made for week-ends of fun and everything was perfect. Private George Little, the young soldier mentioned above, was really fixed up for a pleasant stay in the Carolinas. The family even belongs to a club near our bivouac area.

To make a good thing even better, George was transferred to the Public Relations section, getting a good job and a chance for work of importance. He was sitting pretty. Life and its accomplice fate, seemed to approve of George.

Dates were made in advance. Friends were invited to join in the festivities. They eagerly accepted, having their own hopes pulled up to a fever pitch. The girls agreed to come up and meet the crowd of soldiers on any convenient week-end.

But then things took a change. At the last moment, the Public Relations Section learned that they were to be left behind. They would do their work in Blanding. So George remained in camp—the only man we knew who wholeheartedly wanted to come on this trip.

Corporal E. Martin Meadows, of yellow-jacket fame, has a system for keeping warm. This result of a bit of mental arithmetic and a severe cold spell is a sleeping bag, constructed of three blankets and numerous safety pins.

Corp. Meadows, by placing the blankets in a certain manner, ends up with five layers of protection above him and five below. When properly folded and pinned, the cocoon affords quite a bit of comfort.

Perhaps you've noticed the new name on the cartoons decorating the pages of the division's papers. Well, the guy who does the illustrating is not only quite a bit on the good side with a pencil, he also has a lot of power with the femmes.

The other day in Great Falls, Lt. O. C. McDavid, Press Relations Officer, asked a young lady to pose with Bill Crooks, our genius of the pen. She accepted, only too happy to have a picture taken. When the shot had been made and the girl prepared to drift off, Lt. McDavid asked: "Did he make a date with you?"

She pouted, "No, he didn't ask me." Of course, this brought Bill's chest out about six inches, where it remained until the girl's sister spoke. "She says she wants to date every soldier here, but, since that won't be possible, she's going to date one every night." Bill crept silently away.

It's an old one and hard to believe, but it happened. As General Persons, our own commanding General, drove through a small Carolina town, leading a convoy in, his imposing packard and the two star flag was making quite an impression. A little colored shine boy, annoyed at the daring of a companion who insisted on pushing too far into the street, hissed, where the General could hear him: "Back up there boy, can't you see that's a sergeant coming."

We unimportant, low ranking guys resent the words of a young lady who edits the weekly newspaper at Mississippi State College for Women. She wrote a chum down here, a private by the way, and asked him to send the girls a list of "beautiful Lieutenants with convertibles."

If she'd stop and think a minute, the boys who have haunted the campus of that spinster factory for the past several years are mostly in Blanding and a few other like institutions. Only a very small percentage are beautiful, even fewer are Lieutenants and a convertible is pretty rare below the rank of Major.

The first shot of maneuvers also inflicted the first casualty. In fact, the division wasn't even thoroughly in the Carolinas before Captain C. W. Springer, aide to the General, had his little fling at battling.

Riding into a little filling station, the officer saw the attendant and a negro dashing madly toward a barn at the rear. Wanting to know the cause of the uproar, he followed them. They were using a small .22 rifle for the purpose of trying to kill a wild steer, running amok in the pasture. The bullets were merely glancing from all appearances.

Going back to his command car, Captain Springer found his automatic and some live ammunition. He came back just as the animal charged. Taking aim, he shoot once and the steer dropped like a sack of wet concrete. According to the gunman's own words, the bullet hit squarely between the eyes of the enraged animal.

SKILL WITH NEEDLE PROFITABLE HOBBY

Pvt. 1st. Seymour Neuwrith, Battery C, 116th F. A., has capitalized on his unusual hobby since induction last November.

Neuwrith's hobby is making rugs and tailoring his own clothes. When he was inducted he brought

his sewing outfit along to camp. One day shortly after induction the National Guardsmen were issued new clothing. Nothing Neuwrith was given fitted to his taste so he altered the uniforms. His skill with needle and thread soon brought him many uniforms to fit. Since the new woools have been issued to the men, he has been very busy.

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Rough Terrain No Obstacle To 167th Troops

Soldiers of the second and third battalions, 167th Infantry, marched 26 miles Thursday morning—six miles horizontally and twenty miles up and down, according to descriptions of the march over rough terrain by Lt. Col. Harry E. Smith and Sidney B. Hooper, battalion commanders. After completing the difficult cross-country movement the troops continued marching for twelve additional miles until they contacted an enemy force on Highway 34 near Ridgeway at dark.

Staff officers of the 62nd Brigade commended both Florida and Alabama troops highly upon their stamina.

Lt. Col. James A. Webb, commanding the 167th, commenting on the day's movement stated that the terrain his troops crossed was more difficult than any he had seen in his 25 years of military service.

"Tell the folks at home that they call us foot cavalry now," several of the Alabama men said when interviewed as they swung along the route of march.

Soldier Pleased When Permitted To Go On Problem

After spending approximately three months in the field on the Louisiana maneuvers, Pvt. William Arson of New Orleans, Co. D, 156th Inf., today had finally realized an ambition and completed a maneuver with his own unit.

When Co. D, a former New Orleans National Guard organization, went to Louisiana, Pvt. Arson went along. But came the first phase of the exercises and the Louisiana was transferred to duty at the 61st Brigade Headquarters. On the second phase the same thing happened and again on the third and fourth. "I was beginning to think they didn't like me," the soldier said.

Today Pvt. Arson is happy. He has gone through an entire problem, the three-day first phase of the Carolina maneuvers, without being transferred anywhere.

Forget Pleasure Trip To Help Troops "Mop-Up"

When Privates 1st cl. Charles Lewis and Lawton S. Barber, third battalion, 124th Inf., start something they like to finish it. Although they were granted a pass for Thursday evening to visit the town of Ridgeway, make purchases there, when the soldiers arrived in town the spirit of the chase was too much for them. They forgot their pass and personal business and joined in the "mopping up" proceedings as the Florida soldiers cleared Ridgeway of Blues.

Colonel Wright Buys Football For Battalion

Lt. Col. Jasper K. Wright, new commander of the Third Battalion, 156th Inf., is considered a "regular guy" in his command.

The company's football team was practicing with a "tin-can" football, when the officer happened to pass by on a tour of inspection. He stopped for a short while to watch them play and, seeing the "ball," inquired why it was being used. The men replied that the company's regular football had been left behind at Camp Blanding. Col. Wright remained a few moments and then passed on to another unit.

The next day, the company received a present from the officer—a brand new pigskin he had purchased on a special trip to town.

SOAP SANDWICH FOOLS MEN

Company I, 167th Infantry are wondering at the sudden dash of some of their comrades to wash out their mouths while aboard the troop train carrying them to Carolina maneuvers. The expectorating men were the victims of Sgt. John W. Clegg, who graciously gave each a bite of his sandwich. The sandwich contained a thin slice of GI soap between two slices of bread.

FLYING CADET

Staff Sgt. Billy Chappell, of the 156th Infantry Band, has been transferred to the Flying Cadets.

Range Means Only One Thing To Texan

Private Lofly Brewer, Co. F, 124th Infantry was much surprised when he learned that the army would not permit him to bring his pet along on maneuvers. For the purpose of warmth and as a saving in walking on movements, the Texan argued that his horse was a logical companion for the Carolina trip. This selectee is the soldier credited with the remark, when asked what he would do upon going on the range: "I'd rope and saddle my horse, sir."

Colonel Hooper Takes Soldier For A "Ride"

Corp. Chas. J. Alford, Co. F, 147th Inf., knows how it feels to be kidnapped. He was kidnapped by a battalion commander last week when he was virtually a prisoner of Lt. Col. Sidney B. Hooper, commanding the second battalion of the regiment, for one-half hour.

Corp. Alford was sitting in Col. Hooper's command car during a rest period while the troops were marching South near Ridgeway. On the left side of the seat the radio operator sat with Corp. Alford in the middle. Suddenly Col. Hooper climbed into the car and the chauffeur drove off before the corporal could get out. Sitting between the colonel and radio operator he was unable to climb from the car until it stopped for the colonel to get out later. As a result the corporal stood on the side of the road for over an hour awaiting his company to come along.

Dream Of Tanks Causes Sergeant To Have Nightmare

The Carolina night was silent in the bivouac area of the 31st Division's 156th Infantry. Suddenly from the direction of the personnel staff section, a Lake Charles National Guard unit, there came a yell, followed by loud cries of "Hold it! Hold it!"

The camp began to awaken. Flashlights, guarded by bands, peered into the darkness and whispered queries came from all directions. The cries continued to come from the staff tent. "Hold it! Hold it!" Disheveled officers began to emerge from tents and everybody moved towards the sound.

There, in the glare of light, stood Tech. Sgt. Raymond C. Spalding, non-commissioned assistant to the regimental S-3, eyes shut tight and hands holding the pole that supported the tent.

"What's up, Spalding?" demanded Capt. Alcee Maxfield, regimental personnel adjutant, who had just come into the tent, of the non-com who was just beginning to awake.

"Captain," the sergeant shamefacedly explained, "you may not believe this but I dreamed that one of those big tanks was about to run over me and I was trying to hold it off."

And they say a soldier's life is dull.

Maps Produced By Engineers Extend 64 Miles In Straight Line

By Pvt. Robert Perkins

Since the 106th Engineers "set up shop" in Great Falls area, its map section has produced more than 200,000 maps which if placed end to end would extend from Camp Blanding to Ocala National Forest.

The Engineers have not only been concerned with making the



great numbers of maps which are used to plot the hills and dales, roads and junctions in this part of South Carolina, but have painted more signs to be used throughout the division.

Before coming to the Carolinas, the engineers had recent maps of this area. These were checked

Former Dixie Air Officer Sent To G. H. Q.

Lieut. Col. Walter S. Smith, former air officer of the 31st Division, late of the Fourth Army Corps, has been transferred to Washington, D. C. where he will become assistant air officer in General Headquarters of the War Department.

Before coming to Fourth Corps Headquarters, Colonel Smith was air officer of the Thirty-first (Dixie) Division. He was one of the charter members of the 106th Observation Squadron, one of the squadrons of the Sixty-sixth group.

Colonel Smith has had considerable experience in the construction of airports throughout the country, having participated in the designing of more than 600 fields in the United States. His crowning achievement was the National Airport, Washington, D. C.

Old Fashion Halloween Party Held In Field

Goblins, witches and ghosts roamed and frolicked in Co. C, 156th Inf., when members held an old-fashioned Halloween party last week.

All the requisites of a South Louisiana Halloween, from witches and fortune-tellers to weiners and marshmallows, were present during the witching hours, from 6 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. Officers joined the enlisted men in the fun.

Entertainment included witch imitations by Pvt. Paul Hebert and a rumba dance by Pvt. 1st. Ker-ragen Ledet.

Large Red Cross Building Started At Camp Blanding

Construction was started last week on the American Red Cross administration building between headquarters of the 31st and 43rd Divisions opposite the parade ground in the center of camp.

Frank S. Selleck, Field Director here, now is in temporary quarters directly behind Camp Headquarters but he will move into the new location when the building is completed about Jan. 15.

The structure, to cost in excess of \$20,000, will be frame and 115 by 47 feet with two 28-foot wings. It will contain offices for the field director and his staff, which now number 12; living quarters for male members of the staff; a reception room, lecture hall and general offices.

The contract was awarded to Wait and Sinclair of Palm Beach who also built the Red Cross recreation building on "B" Road near Camp Headquarters and which now is virtually complete. It contains an auditorium which will seat 300 persons, a projection room for movies, a library, game rooms, living quarters for the staff and a few guest rooms.

Keep the home folks posted on the maneuvers; send them this copy of THE DIXIE.

Communications



Chaotic scene in any Dixie headquarters, as pictured by Staff Artist Bill Crooks (who knows nothing about communications).

Private Pearce Puts Aquilla On The Map

Private Joe Pearce of 167th Infantry Regiment's Headquarters company wants to know why nobody knows where "Aquilla," Alabama is.

Aquilla is, in the words of Pearce, about twelve miles, from anywhere. He went to school in Clara, Miss., twenty miles away. He gets his mail in Buckatons, Miss., which is twelve miles from home. He goes to Waynesboro, Mississippi to get his hair-cut. His father buys groceries, what they need in the way of flour, sugar, coffee and lard, a little salt once in a while, at Foyeville, Ala., twelve miles away. He also gets his Sunday cigarettes there, although he makes one complaint about this particular item. They charge him twenty cents a pack.

Came time for Joe to be drafted. He'd filled out all his papers and reported to the draft board in Chatham, Ala. He made the trip by mule, rode five miles on his pappy's gray mare and then put his best thumb forward for the additional twenty-one miles. And now he's in the army!

The biggest kick he's got in the army is when he tells where he's from and they ask "where's that?" in all innocence. He's sincerely hurt.

But he's doing all right in the army. He's in the intelligence section. And he gets plenty of back-slapping for doing a nice job of his assignment.

BELL SOUNDS FALSE WARNING

Service Battery, first Battalion, 114th E.A., were the victims of a joke they played on themselves.

A bell found in Louisiana and used during that maneuver as a gas warning, was sounded unintentionally last week. Every one searched for his gas mask, which had been left in camp.

TO CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Corp. Garland Shell of Monroe has transferred from mail clerk in Service Company, 156th Inf., to the office of the 31st Division Chaplain. Corp. Shell had been with the service unit since National Guard induction last November 25.

ISSUE COMFORTS

Dixie soldiers will be issued comforts on their return from Carolina war games.

Fifteen carloads of comforts—some 55,000 of them—are now stored in warehouses. These will be in addition to blankets already issued.

ACCEPT CHALLENGE

Last week Company M, 156th Infantry challenged any unit in the Dixie Division to a touch football game. Company A, 106th Engineers has accepted the challenge and will meet the team any time or place the foot soldiers say. Sgt. William R. Campbell is managing the "bridge builders."

BRIGADE MARCHES BY GHOST TOWN

The apparently deserted "ghost town" passed by the 61st Infantry Brigade on Wednesday's march was a Negro Methodist summer camp and camping ground named Camp Welfare, according to local inhabitants.

The town of tumbledown shacks excited much curiosity among the passing soldiers, many of whom thought they were walking by an old mining town.

ALPINE METHOD USED TO CLIMB HIGHEST HILLS

Although they didn't find any obstacles as imposing as the Alps in their cross country journey during last week's maneuver, soldiers of the 124th Infantry employed mountain climbing tactics during the problem. Not content with cutting sturdy walking sticks, the Florida soldiers tied ropes from man to man while negotiating the rough terrain of South Carolina's rocky hillsides.

RECEIVE CARBON COPY LETTERS

Whether Corps. Robert Dominick and James Hoggle, Company D, 167th Inf. are receiving carbon copies of each other's letter from the same girl back home is a matter of conjecture on the part of soldiers of that organization.

The wondering soldiers report, however, that the letters the two non-commissioned officers have been receiving of late have been identical.

ATTEND SCHOOL

Corporal Fred Downs and Pvt. Doyle Agans of Company H and HQ Det., 3rd Bn., 167th Inf., respectively, have been appointed to attend a Motor Maintenance School at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Corp. Bill Ashley, Co. F, 167th Inf., walked four miles to eat supper one night last week when his company's kitchen was less than one hundred yards away. The corporal lost direction and walked in a four-mile circle before he finally located the kitchen.

Three La. Officers Have Served 20 Years Together

November 4 was an anniversary for three high-ranking officers of the 156th Infantry regiment, for Lt. Col. Warner L. Bruner, commander of the first battalion; Major Simon Castilla, executive officer of the second battalion, and Capt. Louis J. Balch, commander of Co. F, it marked the completion of 20 years of "soldiering" together.

Just twenty years ago to a day, November 4, 1921, the three men, along with a number of others, stood together in a wooden building in Breun Bridge, La., and heard read to them the oath of service that made them members of Co. F, 156th Inf.

Of all the group gathered there, only the three remain in the service of their country today.

PLAYED GAMES

It was stated in the Dixie last week that soldiers and local young ladies danced in the basement of the First Baptist Church. This was an error. Dancing is not permitted in the church. The hundred or more people at the affair enjoyed themselves playing games.

Riches Turn To Stones When Told They Panned Fool's Gold

Visions of an Army career that would turn out profitably loomed before the wide eyes of Sgt. Royce Hatchett, Co. A, 156th Inf., as he stared into the shallow waters of the tumbling mountain stream near



his company's area. "Gold!" he whispered excitedly.

This was too good to keep to himself. His buddy, Sgt. Alvin Matherne, must be let in on the secret. Glancing quickly to the right and left he half-walked, half-ran to his friend, "Matherne, I've found it! Gold! We're rich!"

A few minutes later, the two were crouched over the stream, mess-kits in hand, eagerly panning



away. "Why, there's millions just right here. Look at it. All over the bottom," cried Hatchett.

Exercise Systematically To Look Like Man On Florida Beaches

Five men of Co. A, 156th Inf., are all members of the company's weightlifting team. Daily they practice with dumbbells to give themselves a "physical build-up."

Led by Sgt. J. Alvin Roy, a former Istrouma High athlete, the team was formed before the Louisiana maneuvers when the men discovered that well-built bodies were assets on the Florida beaches. While the unit was in the home state, the weights had to be left behind because they took up too much space. But as soon as the company came back to Blanding, the muscle-builders were taken out of the trunks and the workouts resumed.

The Carolina maneuvers offered a problem to Sgt. Roy. One month in the field without training would be enough to make all the men lose everything they had gained during the three weeks at Blanding as the Louisiana maneuvers proved.

Sgt. Roy solved the problem by buying a pair of 25-lb. dumb-bells which would fit into a barracks bag.

The team, which uses the system of training recommended by Bob Hoffman, the father of weightlifting, includes Sgt. Roy, handling the 132-lb. class; Sgt. Milton Crochet, the 123-lb. man; Sgt. Walter Bernard, 148-lb. class; Sgt. Sidney Williams, 165-lb. class; and Sgt. Cleveland Weisgerber and Pvt. 1st. Claude Stiles, alternating in the 181-lb. class.

Sgt. Roy announced that the team would be open to challenges from anywhere in the 31st (Dixie) Division upon the Division's return to Camp Blanding.

Form Non-Com Club In 124th

A non-commissioned officers club has been organized in Company I, 124th Inf. with Second Lieutenant Earl A. Clinger as advisor.

The club will start functioning when the company returns to Camp Blanding. Supply Sergeant William E. Kennedy, a selectee who rose from basic private to non-commissioned officer in a few months, is president. Sergeant Robert P. Clark is secretary and Sgt. William M. Keaton is treasurer.

UNARMED MEDICOS CAPTURE PRISONERS

Privates Charles Neal, Steele Partridge and Evan Reynolds, Medical detachment, 167th Inf., are making life miserable for other soldiers in the second battalion, 167th Inf. boasting of capture of two Blue prisoners. The trio never missed an opportunity to remind buddies that they captured two prisoners when unarmed and many of them didn't capture any with all their arias.

TO MOTOR SCHOOL

Corporal Fred Downs and Pvt. Doyle Agans of Company H and HQ Det., 3rd Bn., 167th Inf., respectively have been selected to attend a Motor Maintenance School at Ft. Benning, Ga.

A whistle blew. "That's the company forming," said Matherne. "The devil with them. I don't care if I miss all the rest of the formations from now on out." And the two worked on.

At dusk, the two non-coms dragged themselves into camp, tired but happy, with the light of the gold still burning in their eyes. Their pockets were bulging with bags of all descriptions, all loaded with the precious metals. "Let's go to bed and get up in the morning and get some more," said Matherne.

A gruff voice interrupted them. "Where were you fellows when we

had those two formations this afternoon?" It was First Lt. Ludlow B. Baynard, Jr., acting company commander. To the men's surprise, their whispered, furtive explanation brought a hearty laugh from the officer. "Well, boys," he chuckled, "I'm not going to do anything to you this time. It'll be bad enough when the rest of the men find out that you've been working all afternoon panning 'fool's gold'!"



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Four 116th Men Give Help In Car Crash

Four members of Headquarters Battery, 116th E.A., assisted at an accident which occurred at an intersection of two highways north of Great Falls last week.

Corp. Jack Boggs, Pvt. 1st. Harry L. Jones, Pvt. 1st. Willie Dehn and Pvt. Gene Herschader were on a wood gathering detail when they heard two cars collide. The men rushed to the scene of the crash and saw that one of the vehicles had overturned, pinning five occupants under the wreckage.

The people were removed from the car, given first aid until other help arrived. Then the artillerymen returned to their wood gathering duties.

Touch Football Team Challenges Division Elevens

The mythical 31st Division softball title recently having been won by Co. I, 156th Inf., that company announces it will take on any other unit in the Division any time anywhere, in a touchfootball game.

The eleven has been practicing every evening after drill since coming to South Carolina.

The group includes Sgt. Wayne Welch, 200-lb., former S. L. I. tackle; Pvt. Coleman "Red" Fontenot, 225-lb. fullback who played with Jennings High School; Corp. Charles Nicholson, 145-lb. "sent-back" of Crowley High; Corp. Brady Foreman, 170 lbs., who played halfback at Crowley High; Pvt. 1st. Bill Foreman, 185 lbs., who played for Rayne High; and Corp. Emil "Hobo" Werner, 180 lbs., a former halfback at S. L. I. Manager of the team is Sgt. Tony Plattmier.

Corporal Recovers From Serious Hurt To Return To Unit

A little more than five months ago, a surgeon in Lawson Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., told Corp. Charles A. Joyner of Bray A, 116th F. A. that he would never walk again.

Last week Corp. Joyner joined his unit, a little lighter, but fully recovered from an accident which very nearly took his life.

It was during maneuvers last May that sapling, whipped back by a passing truck, hit him on the head, knocking him to the ground. Joyner was rushed to the Camp Blanding Station Hospital. Doctors there evacuated him to Lawson Hospital, where a surgeon performed a delicate brain operation.

The surgeon told his colleagues that "if he does recover, he will never have the use of his arms and legs. He will be paralyzed."

Joyner, a rugged lad of 160 pounds, rallied. Day by day he gained strength, although his weight fell to 128 pounds by the time he was declared well enough to return to the Tampa, Fla., unit.

He missed the Louisiana Maneuvers, but the regimental doctors said he could go to the Carolinas. Today he is carrying on his duties, where he left off five months ago. Army food has helped him build up most of the weight he lost in the hospital. He now tips the scales at 150 pounds.

Their Predecessors Made Job Easier

Privates James Herring and Clarence Sullivan of Headquarters Company, 155th Inf., are thankful to troops which had occupied the area before the Mississippi Unit made it their bivouac home.

The two men were off routine radio duty and in the course of the long waits for messages became tired of standing in the cold. Pvt. Herring, during a search for something to make their stay more comfortable, found a crude wood-bed frame, made by some enterprising soldier. With few improvements, the men had a comfortable place to sit while they carried out their assignments.

UNIT DETACHED

The 106 Engrs. Regiment, already the smallest in the 31st Division, grows smaller each day of maneuvers. Company F was recently made a part of the 31st Div. Anti-Tank Bn. until the end of the maneuvers.

Chaplain Shows Himself To Be A Good Cook

First Lt. Guy Ashton Smith, on duty with the 156th Infantry regiment, missed his calling when he became an Army chaplain, say men of the Louisiana organization's Co. D. The New Orleans boys report that he is a good cook.

The company had purchased three pigs and First Sgt. James L. Mahaffey was preparing to issue order to chefs to cut them up for dinner when Chaplain Smith came up. Taking a look at the porkers, the officer remarked that they "would make a good barbecue."

"But there's none to do the barbecuing," said Mahaffey.

"I'll do it," volunteered Chaplain Smith.

The company devoured the three pigs at one meal.

Maneuver Ball Invented By 124 A-T Unit

Football coaches might learn something about conditioning players if they would scout some of the games played by members of Anti-tank company, 124th Infantry.

A good example of the physical condition and their disregard for rules of the game was shown in the game they played last week while waiting for their regiment to move into battle.

When the game started each side had about the required number of men. From time to time enthused spectators joined the players. Just before dark a full platoon made both sides.

Maneuver rules, as they were termed, regulating the play seemed to mean that the man carrying the ball was chased until either caught, exhausted or, after darkness set in, until he was found.

Darkness failed to halt the game. In fact, some of the best playing was done after dark. When some very original plays were invented. In one tricky play the ball was passed so many times it finally ended up in the hands of a spectator behind the opposing team's goal.

FATHER LEAVES ARMY BUT HIS SON CARRIES ON

One of the Dixie Division's famous father-son combinations, famous because the son outranked the father, was broken this week when Pvt. 1st. Agne Delaune, father of Sgt. Wybra Delaune, both of Morgan City, La., was released from active duty because of over-age.

Pvt. 1st. Delaune, served as head cook of Co. B, 156th Infantry, returned to his home in Morgan City.

QUIT THEIR GAME TO GO TO CHURCH

As the Chaplain Ben L. Rose, Special Troops, entered a bivouac area last Sunday morning, to conduct a service, he saw several men in a game of chance. He paused for a moment and then called out: "Boys, how about breaking that up long enough to come to church?" They obliged.

GEN. HUTCHINSON BORN NEAR HERE

Brigadier-General Joseph G. Hutchinson doesn't need a map to direct troops of the 62nd Infantry Brigade during maneuvers in the vicinity of Greenwood, S. C. He spent his boyhood in and near the small town of Ninety-Six. The general knows the terrain so well that he will seldom find it necessary to refer to a map.

Recon. Unit Week Reads Like Thriller

They're at it again—that hard driving, dust throwing bunch of guys who call themselves the Reconnaissance Unit. Tearing over back roads, giving the "enemy" fits and having themselves a whale of a time while they lose sleep, the Dixie Division's devil-may-care scouts are on the loose.

They're the boys who furnish information for the intelligence section. Combined with the work of foot scouts, their findings total our knowledge of what the enemy is doing and what lies ahead of an advance. For fast action, thrills, chills, adventure and all around excitement, see "recon men." The show is open twenty-four hours a day at division headquarters.



The ingenuity of Dixie soldiers in keeping warm as the Carolina fall turned into winter is demonstrated by pictures and stories printed herewith. Some methods extolled are as effective as they are clever—others just . . . well, clever.

Gen. Hutchinson Tells Troops How To Make Warm Beds

Brigadier General Joseph G. Hutchinson, commanding the 62nd Infantry Brigade made suggestion to soldiers on how to sleep warm during the cold nights when interviewed this week. In passing on several "helpful hints" which he found practicable as a soldier in the last World War, the general described two optional ways of sleeping.

He pointed out that the most satisfactory way to sleep without getting cold is for two soldiers to sleep together in their "pup" tent. In this manner, according to the brigade commander, the men can cover themselves with more blankets than if sleeping alone. He further suggested that raincoats, newspapers or other non-conductors placed under the sleepers provided desirable insulation against the cold.

"The most important thing I learned about sleeping in a tent," General Hutchinson explained, "was that dirt heaped along the edges of the tent will make it snug inside."

Commenting further, the general described a second sleeping fashion which may be used in severe weather. The soldier digs a hole the length of his body and wide and deep enough to permit him to turn over comfortably. The dirt from the hole is piled, dike fashion, around the edge with one end of the dike being left open. Blankets are placed in the shallow trench and a shelter half stretched across the top. The opening in the dike may be as small as desired to permit air to enter the dugout for breathing.

"The digging—in method, of course, requires more labor," General Hutchinson said, "but I've found it effective in very severe weather and I have used only one blanket at times."

BUILD BARRIER TO STAY IN TENT

Sgt. Grey Gatlin and Pvt. 1st. George R. Hancock of Company F, 155th Inf. Reg., found themselves several feet from their pup tent when they awakened one cold morning recently. It seems that during the night they had slid down hill. A barricade of logs was made to prevent a re-occurrence of the ride down the rocky terrain.

COLLIE KEEPS HIM WARM

Men of Service Btry, 2nd Bn, 114th FA, wondered for several days why Corporal Lamar Triplett spent so much time petting a big collie dog that hung around the area. He even gave the dog half of his dinner. Now they know. When Corp. Triplett goes to bed the collie goes with him and they both sleep very snugly.

COL. SMITH HEATS ROCKS TO KEEP HIS TENT WARM

Lt. Col. Harry E. Smith, commanding the third battalion, 167th Infantry, keeps warm with an old-fashion, but effective heating device. Large rocks, pre-heated and placed in the center of the colonel's tent provide heat all night, according to the officer.

"I learned that trick long ago as a small boy riding in a buggy," Col. Smith explained. "We used to carry hot bricks in the floor of the buggy when riding in cold weather and I find the same idea works in a tent," he added.

INSOMNIA

"I build a fire and sit up all night," says mail orderly, Pvt. A. J. Brewerton, Hq. Btry, 114th FA. "I don't get much sleep but I stay warm."

CUDDLE

"We sleep three to a bed and the nightly struggle for possession of the cover keeps us warm," says Pvt. Sammie Dantone, Hq. Btry, 114th FA.

KNACK of ARRANGING BLANKETS KEEPS SERGEANT WARM

Sergeant Virgil Adkins, of the 114th Field Artillery band, has evolved a new system for keeping warm in a pup tent. One blanket is laid on the ground and another on top of it with the edge running down the center of the first blanket so that the two overlap each other half way. The third blanket is then spread on top of the first two in the center. Each side of the blankets is then lapped toward the center and tucked at the feet, forming an envelope. A buttoned raincoat is slipped over the foot to prevent the blankets from becoming untucked. An overcoat may be used for additional warmth.

MUMMY

"I spread my blankets and roll up in them mummy fashion," says Corp. Alvin E. Thompson, Hq. Btry, 114th FA.

STRAWMAN

Pvt. 1st. James Taylor, Co. A, 106th Engineers, has this suggestion on how to pitch a pup tent when you lack a tent mate. He constructed a lean-to and then piled sticks and pine straw to make the other side of his shelter.

PULLS KNIT CAP OVER EARS

Pvt. 1st. Harry L. Jones Hq. Btry 116th Field Artillery evolved a plan for keeping his head warm, a vital necessity that government-issued serge field caps do not accomplish. Jones simply dug out of his barracks bag an old dark blue, knitted wool toboggan hat and unknowingly started a new vogue. Now members of Headquarters Battery, Band and Medical are sporting toboggan hats of varied hues and are enthusiastically suggesting that caps of this type be made an item of issue. Pvt. Jones likes his hat so well he sleeps in it.

FINDS BED SACKS ARE DANGEROUS

"To wake up and find yourself in the bottom of a deep gulley tied up in a mattress cover is not a pleasant sensation," says Pvt. Leonard Bagwell, cook at Hq. Btry, 1st Bn, 114th FA. He was discovered sleeping soundly in his mattress cover by his kitchen buddies who tied up the mouth of the sack and rolled him into the gulley.

DUG LIKE BUG

How to keep warm is a problem solved by Master Sgt. James Crosby of Hq. Btry, 114th FA in his own way.

Sgt. Crosby digs a ditch, fills it with grass and pine needles and beds down—as warm as the proverbial bug, who, as everybody knows, kept warm by sleeping in a rug.

HOW THEY DO IT IN 156th INFANTRY

LONG SLEEP

Sgt. H. E. Torbert, non-commissioned regimental munitions officer of Service Company—Lift out one of the floorboards of your truck and let the heat from the exhaust warm you. A long undisturbed sleep is guaranteed.

At least try Regimental message center—Gather up wood for a fire. If the officers declare a "black-out," at least the thought that you could have built one is comforting.

SARDINES

Regimental staff car drivers—Pvts. Paul Bunzell, Ralph Rachel, Leland Martin and Arnaud Guillory recommend sleeping four in a tent. In addition to sleeping warm, you'll always have a compassionate feeling for sardines afterward.

114th ARTILLERYMEN SOLVE PROBLEM

STRUGGLE

Pvts. Sammie Dantone, L. B. Sanders, and Corp. Rogers Robertson sleep in the same tent and their nightly struggle for possession of the blankets keeps them warm.

DITCHER

Master Sgt. James Crosby digs a ditch, fills it with grass and pine needles and beds down—sleeps very snugly, he says.

STAY-AWAKE

And Regimental Mail Orderly, Pvt. A. J. Brewerton—when it is uncommonly cold—usually builds a fire and sits up all night. "I can catch up with my sleep later," says A. J. "Right now, I'm trying to stay warm."

RAW THOUGHT

Cooks of Co. B—Sleep "raw." It feels so much better when you get to a fire.

PSYCHOLOGY

Pfc. Louis Bradley, Headquarters Co.—Have the Service Company icemen dump your unit's supply of ice next to the cab of the truck you're sleeping in. Whenever you feel cold, take a look outside and see how bad it could be.

NOT RECOMMENDED

2nd K Lt. William F. Norris, Sgt. Alton Walker, Pfc. Ray Connors and Pvt. Johnny Norris, all of Anti-Tank Company, offer but do not recommend lying four across on the two seats of a weapons carrier with all the blankets four can gather wrapped around you.

CARDBOARD

Pvt. George Degan, a member of Co. F, 156th Inf., believes in sleeping in comfort. Degan made all of Wednesday's day-long hike carrying a heavy piece of cardboard to protect him from the damp ground at night.

Engineers Make

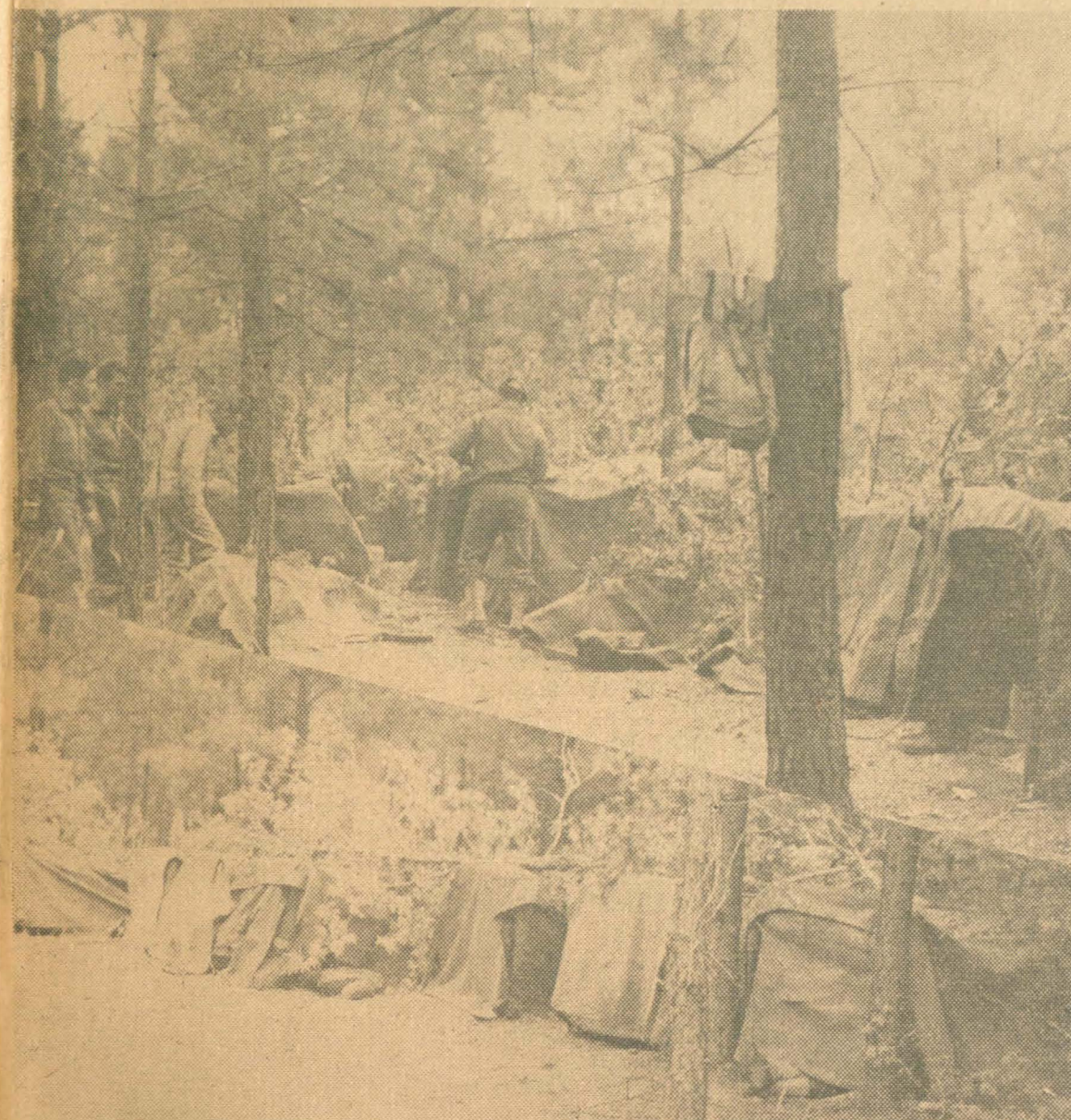
(Continued from page 1) 156th Infantry while Company D, assisted the 124th and 167th Infantry which made up the 62nd Brigade.

It is the task of these engineer units to do all engineering work, such as the building of roads, mining, construction, and repair of bridges, prepare road blocks when ever they are needed. Special machines and tools are used in these assignments.

The remaining companies, A, B, E, were held in reserve for whatever division unit may need them.

HOW TO KEEP WARM . . .

Recon. Boys Escape Cold in Indianlike Hogans



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Wood bows and paulins of their truck-tops were converted by members of the 31st Reconnaissance Unit into hogans, where they sleep dry in rainy weather and warmly during the cold nights. The truck covers are removed from their weapons carriers in the interest of streamlining speed when the Recon boys go into action.

Blanding's Navy Is Drydocked

Camp Blanding's navy has been dry-docked for repairs.

With the approach of winter, lake patrols have been curtailed and the 27-foot cruiser operated by the Military Police under Provost Marshall W. A. Miller was laid up for painting and repairs on its two powerful searchlights.

The cruiser, a former rum-runner from the vicinity of Port St. Joe, draws two feet of water and has a speed of 18 knots. It is not used for guard duty except on special occasions. Its principal use has been for patrol of swimming areas and twice was employed to rescue men whose boats had overturned during rough weather on Kingley Lake which borders the Camp.

SIX DAYS LONG ENOUGH TO WED

Three soldiers of Company I, 167th Infantry, had only six-day furloughs in which to visit their homes in Birmingham, Ala., but it was long enough for each of them to get married.

The bridegrooms are Sgt. Hugh Strong who was married to Miss Mary Louise Dedman; Pvt. 1st Cl. Herbert R. Nichols who wed Miss Verlice Hawkins and Pvt. Herbert Parker whose bride was Miss Ruth Perkins. All are from Birmingham, Ala.

USED MOTOR OIL HEATS CHAUFFERS



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Waste motor oil, a length of pipe and a couple of old grease drums were converted into a warmth-radiating heater by Captain Jesse L. Willingham, commander of Co. F, 106th Quartermaster regiment. Pvt. Thomas E. Giles is shown filling the stove's tank while Pvt. James O. Dunson, left, and Corp. Ira D. Smith feel the heater's warmth. Motor dispatcher, Sgt. Earl L. Blackwell, works in comfort at right.

LONG AND SHORT IN SAME SQUAD

The tallest and shortest man in Co. I, 156th Inf. are in the same squad.

Six foot, one inch Pvt. Coleman Fontenot, a 225-lb. former college football player, stands next to Pvt. William E. Nave, five feet, who weighs 103 pounds.

62nd Brig. Officers Capture 19 Blue M. P.'s Unarmed

The first prisoners of war to be taken by the 31st Division during the Intra-Corps problem were fourteen MP soldiers of the 43rd Division, who were captured by three staff officers of the 62nd Brigade without arms.

Captains Luther Seibert, Owen Leach, and Thomas T. Long, S-3 officers of 62nd Brigade, 167th Inf. and 124th Inf., respectively while checking the Brigade outposts saw a truck on Highway 901 with headlights burning. Stopping the truck to ascertain why the lights were burning they discovered it to be filled with fourteen MP's of the 43rd Division. They were turned over to the 167th Infantry guard. The MP's carried "live" ammunition, the officers were unarmed.

MEN STAND WHILE PRISONER SLEEPS

Pvt. Peter Athens of the 43rd Division, testifies that "true Southern hospitality" reigns in the 156th Infantry regiment.

While many men of the regiment's Service company, who captured him, slept standing on their feet when it rained, Pvt. Athens was made comfortable on the front seat of a reconnaissance car.

RIDGEWAY MAKES 124th MEN WELCOME

As soldiers of the 124th Inf. marched through the cold of early Friday morning the topic of conversation that ran up and down the line of march was food and warmth—the palatable food and welcome warmth of the kitchens of hospitable Ridgeway S. C. residents.

Turn Ghost Hunt Into Treasure Hunt

Members of Company E, 124th Infantry, will long remember their trip through the haunted house on Hallowe'en night.

The men of the Florida unit first learned of the "house of ghosts" from an old negro who told them an amazing tale of how a strange old man had died a horrible death, but refused to accompany them on the trip to the decaying building.

This was a challenge to Company E soldiers. A party was organized, and like ghosts themselves in the pale moonlight, they cautiously entered the grounds of the haunted house. A weird noise halted them. When their courage returned they investigated and saw the creaking sound came from a loose board on the dwelling.

Cautiously they crept through the downstairs rooms and when satisfied it was "spookless" went up to the second and third floors. It was in the attic that they found clothing scattered all over, letters on the floor, and then one sharp-eyed soldier spied a lock of light brown hair. One of the soldiers read a letter. It was signed simply Jeannie. From then on it was known as the house of Jeannie with the light brown hair.

The ghost hunt was forgotten as men read love letters, old documents and newspapers which contained news of soldiers training in this area during World War No. 1.

Headlines for that day were that President Wilson said America will fight to the end for free men everywhere. Food Administrator Hoover advises wheatless days. Tom Gibbons loses heavyweight bout to Minske on foul in tenth round. Finally—Little activity on the Western Front.

167TH SOLDIERS HEAR CHOIR

A robed choir from the First Methodist Church, Great Falls, sang at a special field church service held in the bivouac area of the 167th Infantry Sunday, Nov. 2. The regimental band played sacred music. Chaplain Richard D. Wolcott conducted the services, and delivered a brief message.

Individual services were held in each of the three battalion bivouac areas.

114th MEDICOS ARE ON SPECIAL DUTY

Capt. Eldon L. Bolton, Medical Department Detachment, 114th FA, has been assigned to the 31st Anti-tank Battalion for the duration of the Carolina maneuvers. Also assigned to 31st Anti-tank Bn from the Medical Detachment are Pvt. 1st. Jack Boyer and Pvt. Robert Izard, who will serve as medical aid men. Corp. Eddie Migues and Pvt. George Bunch have been put on detached service with the 56th FA Brigade as medical aid men.

Mobility of Troops

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tle. Advancing under the disadvantages of blown bridges and similar obstacles thrown out by the enemy Blue Forces, progress was tedious. Movement the first day was made along a single route.

The Dixie Division entered the first phase of the Carolina maneuvers last week, under the command of Brigadier General Louis F. Guerre.

On the second day of battle, the division took two routes to advance twelve miles further into the territory of the enemy. Fourth Army Corps Commander General Persons, called on the 31st Division commander and ordered that the 31st attack the Southeast flank of the enemy. This changed the whole scheme of the maneuver.

On the third day of the problem the division had pushed five miles further when the battle was halted at 9:00 a. m.

A division critique was held Sunday morning at 10:30 for the division's officers, by the division commander, General Guerre and his staff.

General Guerre stated that the division "upheld traditions in completing its mission in this problem. The men of the division displayed the same pep and enthusiasm as that which the maneuvers in Louisiana were carried out." He commented also on the change in weather conditions, and that he thought the brisk weather caused, if anything, more enthusiasm in the maneuver activities.



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The recently formed Special Troops Sacred Sextet is shown as it rehearsed a few nights ago in the Division C. P. Seated at the console of the portable organ is Bob Heitterich. Harmonizers are (left to right): Staff Sgt. Victor Weissenegger, Pvt. Robert Gausted, Sgt. E. D. Crane, Chaplain Ben L. Rose, Staff Sgt. Homer T. Turner and Corp. Garland Shell.